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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 25 January 2007.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 14-26 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 14-26 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☒ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

1. This is in response to the application filed on 1/25/ 2007. Claim 1-13 are cancelled. Claims 14-26 are pending. Claims 14-26 are directed to an operating method for a server.

2. This application currently names joint inventors. In considering patentability of the claims under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), the examiner presumes that the subject matter of the various claims was commonly owned at the time any inventions covered therein were made absent any evidence to the contrary. Applicant is advised of the obligation under 37 CFR 1.56 to point out the inventor and invention dates of each claim that was not commonly owned at the time a later invention was made in order for the examiner to consider the applicability of 35 U.S.C. 103(c) and potential 35 U.S.C. 102(e), (f) or (g) prior art under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

Objection

The title is objected because it is not descriptive enough. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

3. Claims 1-21, 22, and 25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Regarding claim 1, claim 1 states a method of storing the transmitted second page identification data by the server. It is not clear why a second page identification that originates from the server should be stored in the same server. Appropriate correction is required.

Regarding claim 21, claim 21 states a method where a client request is transmitted to the client. . It is not clear how a client request could be transmitted to the client. Appropriate correction is required.

Regarding claim 22, claim 22 states a method where a client request is transmitted to the client. It is not clear how a client request could be transmitted to the client. Appropriate correction is required.

Regarding claim 25, claim 25 states software module configured to. The term "Configure to" is not a positive limitation. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101

Whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof, may obtain a patent therefor, subject to the conditions and requirement of this title

4. Claim 25 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the disclosed invention is inoperative and therefore lacks utility. Claim 25 is a software claim; therefore, it lacks of practical utility and does not have a patentable weight. The claimed invention as a whole must be useful and accomplish a practical application. That is, it must produce a “useful, concrete and tangible result.” *State Street Bank & Trust Co. v. Signature Financial Group Inc.*, 149 F.3d 1368, 1373-74, 47 USPQ2d 1596, 1601-02 (Fed. Cir. 1998).

Claim 26 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the disclosed invention is inoperative and therefore lacks utility. Claim 25 is a software claim; therefore, it lacks of practical utility and does not have a patentable weight. The claimed invention as a whole must be useful and accomplish a practical application. That is, it must produce a “useful, concrete and tangible result.” *State Street Bank & Trust Co. v. Signature Financial Group Inc.*, 149 F.3d 1368, 1373-74, 47 USPQ2d 1596, 1601-02 (Fed. Cir. 1998).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

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5. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

6. Claims 14- 20 and 23-24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Jellum et al. (hereinafter “Jellum”) (US 6,915,482 B2).

Regarding claim 14, Jellum discloses a method of operating a server communicating with a client, comprising: receiving a first page request from a first window instance of a client (Jellum, column 6, lines 1-3, it is possible to choose or select any part of a web page or similar information in the server);

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attaching first page identification data to a first page corresponding to the first page request, by the server (Jellum, column 5, lines 29-33, a unique element ID for the selected web page is positioned in it);

transmitting the first page including the first page identification data to the client, by the server (Jellum, column 5, lines 36-39, through the graphical user interface, the web page and its ID are transferred to the user);

receiving a second page request from the client, the second page request including a transmission of the first page identification data back to the server only if the second page request originates from the first window instance, the first page identification data including at least one specific transmission identifier (Jellum, column 9, lines 1-15, when the server receives an acquired information file, it uses update indicator to check if the XML information assemblies received has not been changed);

storing the transmitted first page identification data by the server (Jellum, column 6, lines 15-16, element ID is stored in the element ID buffer);

attaching second page identification data to a second page corresponding to the second page request, by the server (Jellum, column 9, lines 20-26, a new element ID is built in the new web page);

transmitting the second page including the second page identification data to the client, by the server (Jellum, column 9, lines 33-36, if the user still has some interests

for the new page the process go back into the loop, column 5, lines 36-39, through the graphical user interface, the web page and its ID are transferred to the user);

storing the transmitted second page identification data by the server, if the back-transmitted first page identification data are identical to any previously stored page identification data (Jellum, column 6, lines 15-16, element ID is stored in the element ID buffer);

and storing the transmitted second page identification data and the back-transmitted first page identification data, if the back-transmitted first page identification data are not identical to any previously stored page identification data (Jellum, column 6, lines 15-16, element ID is stored in the element ID buffer; column 9, lines 38-39, a notification of the change could be a notification that the browser has changed).

Regarding claim 15, Jellum discloses the method as claimed in claim 14, further comprising: assigning selection data to the first and second page identification data (Jellum, column 5, lines 50-55, after downloading the web page, the user can search for any item of interest);

and transmitting the second page to the client based upon the selection data assigned to the back-transmitted first page identification data, if the specific transmission identifier included in the back-transmitted first page identification data is identical to a transmission identifier included in any previously stored page identification data (Jellum,

column 8, lines 47, The “GetFiles” function is used to transmit the first page; column 8, line 57, the same loop is used to transmit the second page).

Regarding claim 16, Jellum discloses the method as claimed in claim 15, wherein, if the specific transmission identifier included in the back-transmitted first page identification data is not identical to a previously stored transmission identifier included in any previously stored page identification data (Jellum, column 6, lines 15-16, element ID is stored in the element ID buffer; column 9, lines 38-39, a notification of the change could be a notification that the browser has changed),

the second page is transmitted based upon the selection data assigned to one of the specific transmission identifiers included in any of the previously stored page identification data (Jellum, column 8, lines 47, The “GetFiles” function is used to transmit the first page; column 8, line 57, the same loop is used to transmit the second page),

and the server assigns the selection data assigned to the one specific transmission identifier to the specific transmission identifier included in the back-transmitted first page identification data (Jellum, column 9, lines 17-22, the process goes to assign a unique element ID to the selected item, column 9, lines 38-39, a notification of the change could be a notification that the browser has changed).

Regarding claim 17, Jellum discloses the method as claimed in claim 14, wherein the first and second page identification data include a window identifier related to the first respectively a further window instance, (Jellum, column 8, lines 17-25, each URL

references to monitor could be found in the server because the server data structure comprises a list of URL references to monitor),

the server maintains the window identifier, if the specific transmission identifier included in the back-transmitted first page identification data is identical to a transmission identifier included in any previously stored page identification data (Jellum, column 9, lines 25-28, if the identifier is found in the list of identifiers, the process processes, the same loop is performed),

and the server assigns an updated window identifier to the specific transmission identifier included in the back-transmitted first page identification data, if the specific transmission identifier included in the back-transmitted first page identification data is not identical to a transmission identifier included in any previously stored page identification data (column 9, lines 38-39, a notification of the change could be a notification that the browser has changed; column 9, lines 5-6, the file will be converted to the new XML).

Regarding claim 18, Jellum discloses the method as claimed in claim 17, wherein, if the specific transmission identifier included in the back-transmitted first page identification data is not identical to any transmission identifier included in any previously stored page identification data, the second page is transmitted based upon the selection data assigned to such page identification data having a transmission identifier including such window identifier being identical to the window identifier included in the back-transmitted first page identification data (column 9, lines 38-39, a notification of the change could be

a notification that the browser has changed; column 9, lines 5-6, the file will be converted to the new XML).

Regarding claim 19, Jellum discloses the method as claimed in claim 14, wherein the server attaches the first and second page identification data to the first respectively second page as hidden input fields which are not displayed when displaying the respective page (Jellum, column 5, lines 26-29, an element of ID can be obtained by clicking, implying hidden, on the element on the displayed information assembly).

Regarding claim 20, Jellum discloses the method as claimed in claim 14, wherein the first or second page includes at least one address pointing to a further page, and the server attaches the first respectively second page identification data as parameters assigned to the respective transmitted page (Jellum, column 6, lines 1-10, it is possible to choose or select any part of a web page, a web page is associated with a IP address, or similar information assembly from an entire web page and the selection of information object is associated with the unique element ID).

Regarding claim 21, Jellum discloses the method as claimed in claim 14, further comprising: transmitting a client request to the client by the server upon receiving the second page request, the client request including the second page identification data as parameters assigned to the client request; and transmitting the client request back to the server by the client (Jellum, column 8, lines 47, The "GetFiles" function is used to transmit the first page; column 8, line 57, the same loop is used to transmit the second page).

Regarding claim 22, Jellum discloses the method as claimed in claim 14, further comprising: transmitting a client request to the client by the server upon receiving the second page request, the client request including the second page identification data as an attachment file; transmitting the client request and the attachment file back to the server by the client; transmitting the second page and a delete command for deleting the attachment file to the client upon receiving the back-transmitted client request, by the server (Jellum, column 8, lines 47, The “GetFiles” function is used to transmit the first page; column 8, line 57, the same loop is used to transmit the second page).

Regarding claim 23, Jellum discloses the method as claimed in claim 14, wherein the server attaches the first or second page identification data to the first respectively second page by attaching a software program to the respective page (Jellum, column 5, lines 29-33, a unique element ID for the selected web page is positioned in it), the software program configured to attach on the client side to the second page request an attachment file having the second page identification data if the second page request originates from the first window instance (Jellum, column 9, lines 25-28, if the identifier is found in the list of identifiers, the process processes, the same loop is performed).

Regarding claim 24, Jellum discloses the method as claimed in claim 14, wherein the server attaches to the first or second page a variable having a current value and a program for execution by the client upon displaying the respective page in a window,

the client upon executing the program modifies the current value of the variable if the current value corresponds to an initial value of the variable (Jellum, column 8, lines 64-67; column 9, lines 1-4, the “Getfiles” function is arranged to utilize update information and to check if information entity carries content update indicators),

and the client upon executing the program repeats the first respectively second page request such that the first respectively second page identification data are back-transmitted to the server, if the current value does not correspond to the initial value of the variable (Jellum, column 8, lines 47, The “GetFiles” function is used to transmit the first page; column 8, line 57, the same loop is used to transmit the second page),

Regarding claim 25, Jellum discloses a software program for operating a server communicating with a client, the software program comprising software modules configured to: receive a first page request from a first window instance of a client (Jellum, column 6, lines 1-3, it is possible to choose or select any part of a web page or similar information in the server);

attach first page identification data to a first page corresponding to the first page request (Jellum, column 5, lines 29-33, a unique element ID for the selected web page is positioned in it);

transmit the first page including the first page identification data to the client (Jellum, column 5, lines 36-39, through the graphical user interface, the web page and its ID are transferred to the user);

receive a second page request from the client, the second page request including a

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transmission of the first page identification data back to the server only if the second page request originates from the first window instance, the first page identification data including at least one specific transmission identifier (Jellum, column 9, lines 1-15, when the server receives an acquired information file, it uses update indicator to check if the XML information assemblies received has not been changes);

store the transmitted first page identification data (Jellum, column 6, lines 15-16, element ID is stored in the element ID buffer);

attach second page identification data to a second page corresponding to the second page request (Jellum, column 9, lines 20-26, a new element ID is built in the new web page);

transmit the second page including the second page identification data to the client (Jellum, column 5, lines 36-39, through the graphical user interface, the web page and its ID are transferred to the user);

store the transmitted second page identification data, if the back-transmitted first page identification data are identical to any previously stored page identification data (Jellum, column 6, lines 15-16, element ID is stored in the element ID buffer);

and store the transmitted second page identification data and the back-transmitted first page identification data, if the back-transmitted first page identification data are not identical to any previously stored page identification data (Jellum, column 6, lines 15-16, element ID is stored in the element ID buffer; column 9, lines 38-39, a notification of the change could be a notification that the browser has changed).

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Regarding claim 26, Jellum discloses a server for establishing a communication with a client, the server comprising a bulk storage memory having a software program for operating the server, the software program comprising software modules configured to:

receive a first page request from a first window instance of a client (Jellum, column 6, lines 1-3, it is possible to choose or select any part of a web page or similar information in the server);

attach first page identification data to a first page corresponding to the first page request (Jellum, column 5, lines 29-33, a unique element ID for the selected web page is positioned in it);

transmit the first page including the first page identification data to the client (Jellum, column 5, lines 36-39, through the graphical user interface, the web page and its ID are transferred to the user);

receive a second page request from the client, the second page request including a transmission of the first page identification data back to the server only if the second page request originates from the first window instance, the first page identification data including at least one specific transmission identifier (Jellum, column 9, lines 1-15, when the server receives an acquired information file, it uses update indicator to check if the XML information assemblies received has not been changes);

store the transmitted first page identification data (Jellum, column 6, lines 15-16, element ID is stored in the element ID buffer);

attach second page identification data to a second page corresponding to the second page request (Jellum, column 9, lines 20-26, a new element ID is built in the new web page);

transmit the second page including the second page identification data to the client (Jellum, column 5, lines 36-39, through the graphical user interface, the web page and its ID are transferred to the user);

store the transmitted second page identification data, if the back-transmitted first page identification data are identical to any previously stored page identification data (Jellum, column 6, lines 15-16, element ID is stored in the element ID buffer);

and store the transmitted second page identification data and the back-transmitted first page identification data, if the back-transmitted first page identification data are not identical to any previously stored page identification data (Jellum, column 6, lines 15-16, element ID is stored in the element ID buffer; column 9, lines 38-39, a notification of the change could be a notification that the browser has changed).

7. The prior arts made of record and not relied upon are considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Bates et al. (US 6,456,307 B1) is made part of the record because of the teaching of using browser for displaying web pages. Melero et al. (US 2002, 0111879 A1) is made part of the record because of the teaching of accessing a remote server. Shuping et al. (US 6,313,855 B5 A1) is made part of the record because of the teaching of a web browsing method. Udom et al. (US 2004, 0255240

A1) is made part of the record because of the teaching of browsing documents.

Reitmeier (US 2002, 0184632 A1) is made part of the record because of the teaching of web media services. Sogabe et al. (US 2003, 0051022 A1) is made part of the record because of the teaching of web page managements. Wei (US 2004,003 0719 A1) is made part of the record because of the teaching of a web page system. Keiffer (US 2004, 0177327 A1) is made part of the record because of the teaching of a web page access. Davis et al. (US 5,937,160 A1) is made part of the record because of the teaching of identifier systems.

Conclusion

8. Any inquiry concerning this communication from the examiner should be directed to **Marie Georges Henry whose telephone number is (571) 270-3226**. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday 7:30am - 4:00pm. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Saleh Najjar can be reached on (571) 272-4006. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-

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